

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 24, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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-- (amended) The DNA encoding the SS of the invention can of course vary with respect to degeneracy of the genetic code. A preferred nucleotide sequence encoding the SS of the invention is nucleotides 18 through 80 of SEQ ID NO: 11. Also, in embodiments of the invention wherein DNA encoding a SS of the invention is joined to DNA encoding a desired protein to be expressed, the joining should be done so that the reading frame of the SS and of the desired protein are the same. The joining can be performed so that the 3' end of the DNA encoding the SS is joined directly to the 5' end of the DNA encoding the desired protein. Alternatively, the 3' end of the DNA encoding the SS can be joined to a "linker" DNA that encodes additional amino acids, which linker DNA is then joined also to the 5' end of the DNA encoding the desired protein. --

Please delete pages 1 through 6 of the substitute Sequence Listing submitted on January 22, 2001. Please insert the second Substitute Sequence Listing enclosed herewith immediately after the abstract.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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2. (Twice Amended) The isolated nucleic acid of claim 1, wherein the nucleotide sequence encoding the secretory signal sequence is nucleotides 18 through 80 of SEQ ID NO:11.